

Announcing the ...

2009 MEA Lobby Day

February 18, 2009 Radisson Hotel, Lansing

Plan now to attend MEA 2009 Lobby Day in Lansing on Wednesday, February 18, 2009. The MEA Lobby Day is a one-day event.

Meet with your legislators. Get updates on current legislation and gain valuable information about public education funding that you can use on behalf of your community.

Tentative Agenda:

7:30-8:45 a.m. Conference Registration

Continental Breakfast
Radisson, 2nd Level

8:45-10 a.m. Legislative Briefing

Radisson Ballroom

10-11:30 a.m. Visits with Lawmakers

Capitol or legislative offices

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. . . Legislative Reception

Radisson Ballroom

1:45-3 p.m. Afternoon Session

Action Plan
Radisson Ballroom



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- Please complete the ENTIRE registration form. All information is necessary to process the registration.
- Use only a MEMBER'S name when registering.
- Fill out a separate form for each registrant.

Member's Name:

Last _____ First _____ Initial _____

Badge Name: (First Name Preference)

Profession:

First Time Attending this Conference?

- 1) EA Instructional 2) EA Non-Instr. 3) ESP Instr. 4) ESP Non-Instr. 5) Other

- Yes No

School district you work in:

MEA Region:

Home Address: Number

Street

Lot/Apt. #

City / Town

State

Zip Code

_____ - _____

School Phone: Area Code & Number

Home Phone: Area Code & Number

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Home E-mail Address:

Meal Selection: Wednesday Legislative Reception

Special Needs: (Physical disability—Please be specific) _____

Indicate legislative district numbers: House district _____ Senate district _____ Congressional district _____

Member Information: 1) MEA 2) MEA Staff 3) MEA-Retired 4) Student MEA 5) Nonmember

Signature _____

Date _____

Registration form must be postmarked on or before February 2, 2009.

Registrations that include hotel reservations must be received by January 30, 2009.

Hotel Reservations Radisson Hotel-Lansing

Check lodging information for any clarifications.

I **DO NOT NEED** an overnight reservation, I do plan to attend MEA Lobby Day.

LODGING REQUIRED Tuesday, February 17, 2009.

I would like to room with:

Last Name _____

First _____

You may assign a roommate.

I wish to room alone.

I understand the charge for my room \$62.15 per night – half the double room rate – is payable at the MEA registration table when I register – via check (payable to MEA) or cash.

Smoking Preference: Smoking Nonsmoking

MAIL to:

Government Affairs Department
Michigan Education Association
P.O. Box 2573
East Lansing, MI 48826-2573

General Information

- The conference will be held at the Radisson Hotel in Lansing.
- There is no registration fee for the 2009 MEA Lobby Day.
- All conference participants must register using the attached registration form. Telephone registrations cannot be accepted.
- MEA will reimburse mileage. All nonconference meals must be paid by the individual.

Lodging

- **MEA will cover room charges for one night if you live 125 to 249 miles from Lansing or for two nights if you live 250 miles or more, as calculated using the RA mileage chart.**
- All room reservations are being coordinated by MEA Government Affairs, not by the Radisson Hotel. There are a limited number of overnight rooms reserved for Tuesday, February 17, so it is important to register as early as possible.
- Rooms will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Please be sure to indicate your lodging needs/preferences on the registration form. MEA will pay for lodging based upon the double occupancy rate. Therefore, we encourage you to indicate a roommate preference.
- A roommate will be assigned to you if you do not indicate a preference. If you do not want a roommate, indicate this preference. If you choose to room alone, you will be responsible for paying \$62.15 per night—one-half the double room rate. This can be paid at the conference registration table via check (made payable to MEA) or cash. We are unable to accept credit cards.
- For overnight guests, all incidentals (phone calls, in-room movies, etc.) are your responsibility. The hotel will direct bill MEA for only your room charges (plus tax).
- Valet parking is included in the lodging charge for those staying overnight at the Radisson Hotel. All others may park at the ramp north of the Radisson. Passes for City of Lansing parking and maps will be provided at the registration table. Meter parking is available on the streets, however, use caution. Meters expire approximately every two hours and parking tickets are issued promptly.

Appointments

We strongly urge you to make appointments with your legislators in advance of MEA Lobby Day. If you need your legislators' telephone numbers, or are having difficulty scheduling an appointment, contact the Government Affairs Department at 800-292-1934.

Legislative Reception

Legislators and State Board members have been invited to attend the legislative reception with the conference participants in the Radisson Ballroom.

Questions

If you have any questions about MEA Lobby Day, please contact:
MEA Government Affairs Department at 800-292-1934, ext. 5463.

Radisson Hotel - Lansing

111 North Grand Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933

Phone: 517-482-0188

Directions

• From the Detroit Area

Follow I-96 west to I-496 west toward downtown Lansing.
Exit I-496 at exit 7A (Grand Ave.).
Turn right on Grand Ave.
Hotel will be 7 blocks north on the left side of the street.

• From the Grand Rapids Area

Follow I-96 east to I-496 east toward downtown Lansing.
Exit I-496 at exit 6 (Pine and Walnut streets).
Stay on East Main St. to Grand Ave.
Turn left on Grand Ave.
Hotel will be 8 blocks north on the left side of the street.

• From the Flint Area

Follow I-69 west to 127 south toward Lansing/Jackson to I-496 west.
Exit I-496 at exit 7A (Grand Ave.).
Turn right on Grand Ave.
Hotel will be 7 blocks north on the left side of the street.

• From the Kalamazoo Area

Follow I-94 to I-69 north. Take I-69 north to I-496 east.
Exit I-496 at exit 6 (Pine and Walnut streets).
Stay on East Main St. to Grand Ave.
Turn left on Grand Ave.
Hotel will be 8 blocks north on the left side of the street.

• From the Capital City Airport

Turn left on Grand River Ave. to Martin Luther King/Logan Blvd.
Turn right on MLK/Logan Blvd. to Saginaw St.
Turn left on Saginaw St.
Turn right on Capitol Ave. to Michigan Ave.
Turn left on Michigan Ave. to Grand Ave.
Turn left on Grand Ave.
Hotel is on the left side of the street.

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